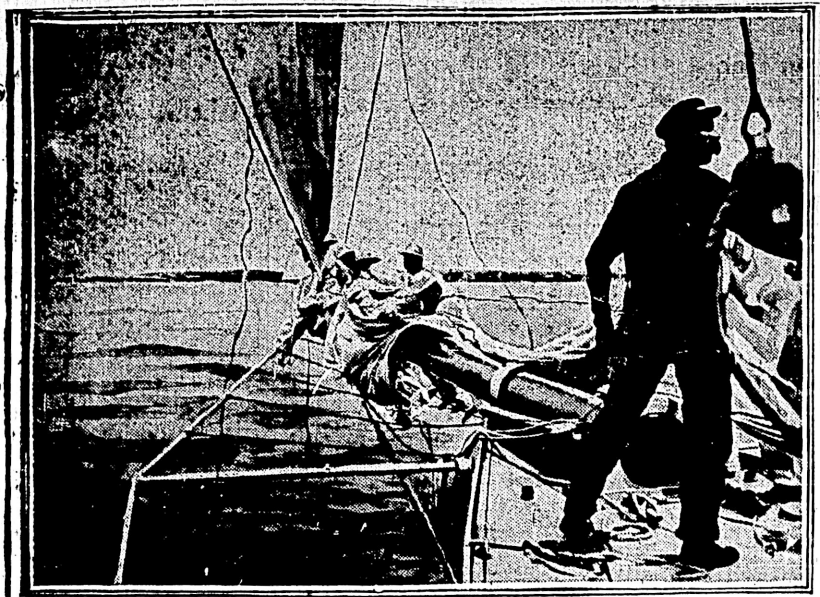


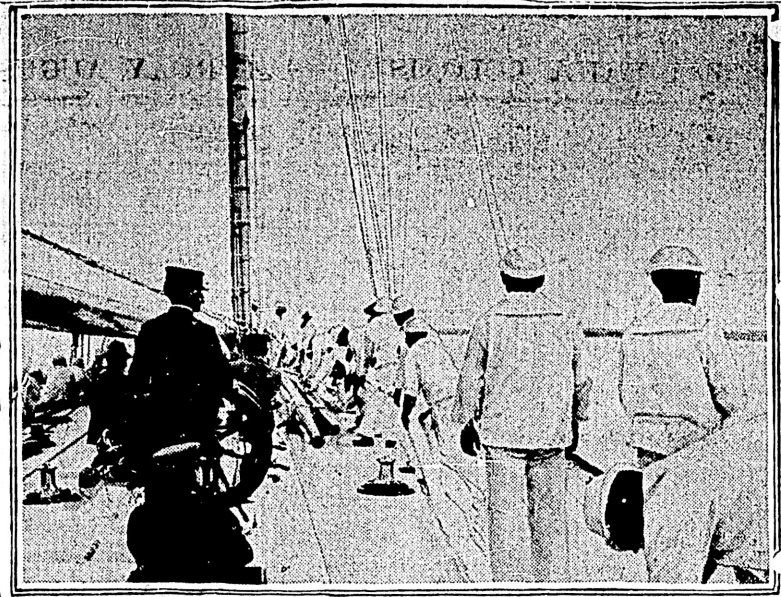




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## Fierce Fight Near Adrianople

Three Battalions of Turks Engaged By Two Band of Insurgents.

Two Hundred Missilmans Killed in a Fight at Neveska.

Sofia, Aug. 28.—The general situation in the vicinity of Adrianople continues alarming. The revolutionists have destroyed all the Turkish posts along the frontier.

The Autonomic says the Turkish commander in the district of Sochka has ordered his subordinates to kill and destroy everything and everything Bulgarian in the district of Sochka.

A fierce fight has occurred at Passaku, 20 miles from Adrianople, where three Turkish battalions surrounded a body of insurgents. A second band of rebels came to the assistance of their comrades, who thereupon broke through the cordons, killing 150 Turks.

General Zontchev is said to be organizing a body of 5,000 Macedonians to cross the frontier. The Macedonian committee has urgently appealed to Prince Ferdinand to show further interest in the Macedonian situation, saying if Macedonia is not soon liberated, the position of Bulgaria will become exceedingly critical.

The Dnevnik prints today what purports to be the accurate details of the train outrages near Kuleburg. It says a package was placed in the restaurant car of the train at Buda Pesth, containing the bomb with a clockwork attachment, which was timed to explode as the train was crossing the bridge at Maritza.

It was intended to blow the bridge between Adrianople and Salonica.

There is no foundation for the report published in Vienna that the police have discovered a tunnel leading under the palace of Prince Ferdinand, which was believed to have been constructed with the intention of blowing up the monarch.

The Porte is losing no time in adopting the sternest measures to suppress the outbreak in the vicinity of Adrianople.

Reports from the frontier state that large numbers of recruits are crossing in small parties into Macedonia.

Salonica, Aug. 28.—About 2,000 insurgents near Valena have been ordered to concentrate in the mountains of Moshovo. They are expected to attack Yikveshi and Shverzholi.

During the night of August 25, a force of insurgents attacked Neveska, where 240 soldiers were stationed, 200 of whom were killed. Seven battalions of Turkish troops which arrived at Neveska this morning are bombarding the insurgents' defenses.

THE COUNCIL BLUFFS FLOODS.

Council Bluffs, Aug. 28.—All the lower portions of the city are under water because of heavy rains and flooded rivers. Many houses are flooded. Row boats were being used in several of the down-town districts today, and that portion of the country between here and Lake Manawa, five miles south, is a solid lake.

DAM BURSTS.

Adjacent Town and Country Inundated For Miles.

Butler, Pa., Aug. 28.—Boydstown and seven miles of the river here burst today, letting out two million gallons of water and inundating a portion of Butler and the low-lying districts for miles. Great damage was done to property, but as far as known, no lives were lost.

Many culverts on the Pittsburgh, Bessemer and Lake Erie railroad were washed out, and the bridge of the Pittsburgh & Western railway over Bear Creek, was swept away.

FREE TRADERS SCORE.

First Contest on Fiscal Question Goes Against Chamberlain.

London, Aug. 28.—The Liberals gained a notable victory in Argentina today, where on Wednesday last was held the first parliamentary by-election fought on the fiscal question raised by Colonial Secretary Chamberlain. J. S. Answorth, the Liberal candidate, who represented free trade, was elected by the great majority of 1,586 over Chas. Stewart, Unionist, who stood for protection.

At the previous election the Unionist majority was 600.

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## TWO DROWNED IN KASLO BAY

Young Sons of W. T. Hodder Lose Their Lives While Bathing.

Kaslo, Aug. 28.—(Special)—Laughlin and Harry Hodder, aged 13 and 11 years, respectively, sons of Mr. W. T. Hodder, of this city, were drowned while bathing in the lake near the C. P. R. wharf yesterday. The boys, who were universal favorites with the citizens, went in swimming off Beach Point, where the accident occurred. They had been accustomed to go in bathing there and paddle around on drift logs. It is supposed that the youngest fell off into deep water, and that the older lost his life in an unsuccessful endeavor to rescue his brother.

The bodies have not yet been discovered, but are being grappled for. Most intense sympathy is felt for the bereaved parents.

FIVE-MINUTE CYCLONE.

Comoxville, B.C., Aug. 28.—A cyclone passed over this section today. People were lifted off their feet and houses were blown off their foundations. The storm lasted just five minutes.

Mr. J. J. Lewis was struck by lightning and instantly killed.

DESTRUCTIVE HURRICANE.

Mobile, Aug. 28.—A private letter from Grand Cayman, British West Indies, states that the hurricane which passed over that island destroyed 100 houses and 27 vessels. The British Government schooner Governor Blake, which it was feared was lost, arrived safely after encountering the hurricane.

STEAMER IN TROUBLE.

Ogdensburg, N. Y., Aug. 28.—The steamer Erin, loaded with railroad iron for Fort William, which struck a pier and sank at Parnassus Point on Saturday, was raised by wreckers yesterday and passed up the St. Lawrence.

Today she is fast on a shoal near Sister Light. While in tow of a wrecking tug a schooner struck her, tearing off her upper bulwarks and driving her on the shoal. Robert McKay, a sailor, was caught, and had his neck broken.

GERMAN ARMY SCANDALS.

Berlin, Aug. 28.—An army sergeant named Bishop has been sentenced to three months imprisonment for neglecting to report the mistreatment of private by Sergeant Rowdenbach of the 118th Infantry, who was sentenced to three and a half years' imprisonment August 20 for brutality.

Rowdenbach was charged with 1,800 offences. He so severely whipped a recruit that the man committed suicide.

ACCIDENT AT SEA.

Bremen, Aug. 28.—The North German Lloyd steamer Neckar, bound for Baltimore, while off Cherbourg, in the North Sea, yesterday, burst her main steam supply pipes, which scalded the third and fourth engineers and seven others. The vessel is returning here for repairs.

According to a despatch received today from the offices of the North German Lloyd Co. in New York, the two engineers were killed, and the third and fourth were severely injured.

Five out of the seven stokers scalded, have died from their injuries.

## C. P. R. OFFICIALS.

Investigate Proposed Site of New Bridge at Strathcona.

Strathcona, N.W.T., Aug. 28.—D. McNicoll, general manager of the C. P. R.; J. W. Leonard, assistant general manager; E. H. McIlroy, chief engineer; Mr. Jamieson, superintendent of the Port-Langara division, and N. E. Brooks, superintendent of C. & E. railway, came to Strathcona last evening in their private car, attached to the regular express. They had a private conference with a joint delegation of the Strathcona Board of Trade and the town council, and during their stay looked over the proposed site of a high level bridge. Two trial surveys from the East into Strathcona are now completed, and a third one is in progress. The party went south by the morning's express.

TORONTO RIFLE MATCHES.

British Columbians Who Won Prizes Yesterday.

Long Branch Rifle Range, Ont., Aug. 28.—In the Toronto match, Forrest, won fourth place and a prize of \$15, with 113 score. Cunningham, New Westminster, 110, was seventeenth, winning \$1. Sgt. Caven, Victoria, 110, won eighteenth place and \$1.

In this match Forrest, won fifth place and \$10. Cunningham, New Westminster, 64, was ninth, winning \$5. Pte. Perry, Vancouver, 63, won sixteenth place and \$5. Capt. McHarg, Vancouver, 61, won eighteenth place and \$4. Sgt. Caven, Victoria, 60, won sixteenth place and \$3. Co. Sgt. Major Richardson, Victoria, 59, was seventeenth, winning \$3. Corp. Grant, 58, won eighteenth place and \$2. Lieut. Boul, 57, won one hundred and fifth place, taking \$1.

SITUATION CHANGES.

Denial of Vice-Consul's Killing Believes Tension in the United States.

Washington, Aug. 28.—A decidedly new turn in the case of United States Vice-Consul Magedson at Beirut, who was reported to have been assassinated last Sunday, developed tonight when it became known that the report was incorrect, and although Mr. Magedson had been shot at, he had not been injured.

This information came to the State department tonight in a despatch from Minister Leishman at Constantinople. The despatch from the minister was communicated to the President at 10 o'clock. Its contents were extremely gratifying to the officials of the United States government here, as it relieved the situation of its extreme tension, and gave a new opening for an amicable and peaceful adjustment of the incident. Acting Secretary Loomis declined to make public the text of Minister Leishman's despatch, but gave a summary of its contents, which shows that Mr. Magedson had been shot at by some person at the time unknown to the officials, but that he had not been hit. The local Turkish officials were prompt to express their regret at the occurrence, and were exerting themselves to apprehend the would-be assassin, but thus far had been unsuccessful.

TORONTO TELEGRAMS.

Another Carnegie Library—New President of Medical Association.

Toronto, Aug. 28.—(Special)—The corner stone of the new public library to which Andrew Carnegie contributes \$17,000 was laid today at Galt.

Dr. S. J. Tunstall, Vancouver, was elected president of the Canadian Medical Association at London today, and Vancouver was chosen as the next place of meeting.

J. A. McIlroy, Winnipeg, was elected vice-president for Manitoba.

H. P. Dwight, president of the Great Northwestern Telegraph Company, declines that the Western Union is contemplating the absorption of his company.

The corner stone of the monument erected by the people of Bruce county at Port Elgin to the memory of the late Trooper Gordon Cummings, killed in South Africa, was unveiled today by Colonel Lord Aylmer, adjutant-general, in the presence of a large crowd.

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## PLOT TO MURDER BRITISH CONSUL

Intended Victim Takes Unusual Route For His Walk And Avoids Death.

Boston, Mass., Aug. 28.—The advice given details of the recent murder of the Russian consul at Monastir, saying that on the day of his assassination several women observed five Turkish armed in the quarters of the guard house, and when the shooting occurred, one Turk asked another: "What is the matter?" One of the five men replied: "A dog was killed." After which the five men went away. The wall received the remains and remarked that the consul was to blame for using his revolver on the policeman.

When the body of the consul was brought to his home, it was found that he had not only been shot, but that his head had been crushed in by a blow from the policeman's rifle. Detailing the interview of Hilmi Pasha with Madame Rostkovsky, and the offer of \$40,000 to the widow by the Turkish authorities, the account says: "The blood of my husband cannot be paid for by my Turkish money. Give the check back to your master, and if he does not know what to do with it, tell him to give it to his soldiers, who have received no pay for so many months. Here are the decorations which the Sultan has bestowed on my husband and myself."

The advice also state that M. Rostkovsky, the British vice-consul, was looked upon with suspicion by the Turks, because of supposed sympathy with Bulgaria, and that recently an assassin was appointed to kill the British official as he was taking his customary walk, but the plot failed because McGregor on that day took an unusual route.

PARIS UNDERGROUND ROADS.

Investigation Into Recent Tunnel Disaster Suggests Many Reforms.

Paris, Aug. 28.—The municipal committee investigating the recent tunnel disaster on the Metropolitan railroad, has drawn up a report approved by the prefecture, indicating the reform which should be immediately made in the Paris underground railroad system. The principal proposals are that the present system of a motor at each end should be suppressed. The motors must be capable of isolation from the train; in case of the slightest fire, the train must be stopped and the motor isolated; the telephones and speaking tubes must be provided at reasonable intervals along the line; the number of employees at the stations must be increased; the platform must be cleared of every obstruction and lighted by an electric current, independent of the currents supplying the traction or the lighting of the tunnels; numerous lamps must be placed to indicate the direction of the exit at which a powerful inextinguishable lamp must be lighted, and an alarm must be placed near the station.

It is proposed to insist later on the use of incombustible rolling stock and the construction of refuges in the tunnel walls.

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## HARVEST BETTER THAN EXPECTED

Threshing Shows Yield in Manitoba Heavier Than at First Reported.

Winnipeg, Aug. 28.—A gratifying feature of the harvest is that the yield is turning out heavier than was expected. The case of a farmer near Emerson who placed 1½ yield at 14 which turned out 20 to the acre, is not unusual. In Turtle district the yield will run from 28 to 40 bushels to the acre; one man having 125 acres, of which 75 will go for bushels.

The Shamrocks, of Winnipeg, for the second time have won the lacrosse championship of Manitoba, defeating Souris 12 to 4.

"Old boys" from Ottawa Valley resident in Winnipeg, have decided to form an association, to be known as the "Old Boys of the Ottawa Valley."

Hon. Colin Campbell declines to discuss his probable retirement from the cabinet, but his statement lends color to the rumor.

Rev. Mr. Lloyd, who is now in charge of the Hart colonists, is in the city, and states that a statement will soon be issued showing the original position of Rev. Mr. Barr, and how the contract made by him with the Dominion government was carried out. He believed just as many immigrants as last year will be secured for the colony from the Old Country.

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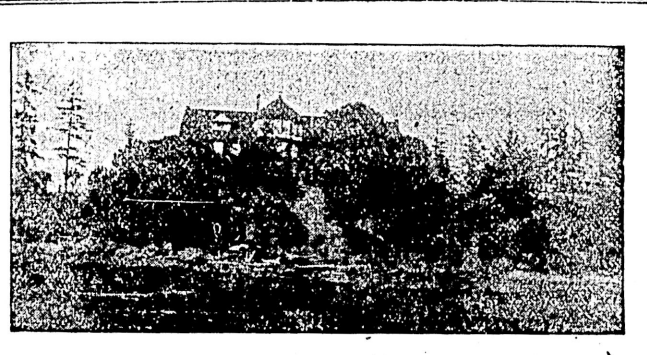
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## FUTURE OF TRANSPORTATION.

The day of the Erie Canal is done. It is no longer suitable for the transportation of freight in bulk. New York's canal system has been beaten by New York's railways. But that has only been because the water system did not compete on equal terms with the railways. New York's business is being greatly cut into by the opportunities afforded by the two great waterways, the St. Lawrence and the Mississippi. During the first eleven months of the fiscal year just passed there was a decrease of \$8,000,000 in the value of breadstuffs and cereals exported from New York, and an increase of \$14,000,000 in the value of the same commodities exported through Galveston and New Orleans. This is the beginning of a movement of prime importance to the United States. The valley of the Mississippi is not, excepting the valley of the Nile, nor that of the Euphrates, the largest and most fertile area of agricultural land in the world. The centres of population and culture in ancient history were successively located in the valleys of the Euphrates and of the Nile. It is as certain as anything can be, that the Mississippi holds a similar destiny so far as population and culture in the United States are concerned. Not far off will the commerce and wealth of the central portion of the United States yield tribute to the manufacturing and trading cities of the Atlantic seaboard. They will follow the water route to the Gulf of Mexico. The process which has begun is irresistible because it is in harmony with the laws of industrial and commercial evolution. The New Orleans steamer, discussing the movement just now beginning to take place, says: "It is not premature at least to predict that New York will not much longer remain the great commercial metropolis of the Western Hemisphere. That function will be transferred to some city situated on the shores of the Mexican Sea, the Mediterranean of the West, where the grand ocean gate will be nearest to the vast cities which will grow up in the heart of the Mississippi valley, the richest, and destined to be the most populous region upon the globe. At that time the mighty Mississippi River will be a grand highway to say that on the wharves of New Orleans the commerce of the river, of the rail and of the ocean steamer will meet and be exchanged, and here will be the metropolis of the Western world." This is true. It is not premature. The destiny of the Mississippi valley was foreseen many long years ago by an ingenious Scotsman called John Law, of Lauriston, the inventor of modern banking, the most extraordinary genius of his time, a man lost to the British Empire because he had the misfortune to kill a puppy, and because Great Britain had fallen upon degenerate days, and France ruled as well as led the world. The realization of this dream has been delayed by Northern and Eastern jealousy which has prevented the establishment of ports upon the Gulf of Mexico, and also by the silver thread which connects New York with another great system of water drainage of which more presently. It has been delayed, but it could not be prevented, and its ultimate effects upon the political, industrial, economic, and social conditions of the United States are as innumerable as the decrees of fate. Next in importance, and perhaps not secondary to the Mississippi valley, in the development of North America, are the vast plains of the Northwest, particularly of the Canadian Northwest. These also are served by a mighty stream draining a great chain of lakes, the St. Lawrence River, and that river is controlled entirely by the Dominion of Canada. We are apt to view with alarm the separation between the East and the West of Canada, as giving rise to a difficult economic problem, and a menacing political embarrassment. But if we take a larger and broader view, it is not likely that Lake Superior binds more closely than its inappreciable northern shore separates. Certainly a congruous national development may be better expected where a great river is the bond and expression of commercial unity, than where nature declares that commerce shall go South and not East. New York has fished commerce from the Mississippi as well as from the St. Lawrence, but the time is coming, and coming very rapidly, when both will reassert their right to the territories which they drain. So long as we compete with the Atlantic seaports of the United States through the development of trade upon the St. Lawrence, the artificiality of their connections cannot forever resist the natural supremacy of our own. But what shall we think of a national policy which proposes to set against the Atlantic seaports of the United States, a system of transportation infinitely more artificial than that upon which they themselves depend, and to deliberately set upon one side the natural advantages which Canada possesses? For folly, the only thing lacking in such a policy is that it is not also proposed to pump the lakes dry and use the bed of the St. Lawrence as a right of way for the rails of the Grand Trunk Pacific. The day may come when Hudson's Bay, in the North, will play the role now assumed by the Gulf

of Mexico in the South. But until that day comes our hope and certainty of success lie in the lakes and the St. Lawrence River, developed as trade routes to the highest possible condition of efficiency.

## THE ONTARIO MACHINE.

The Liberal machine in Ontario is an engine of no mean power. It works with celerity, with certainty and with a calm disregard of any power or interest superior to its own. Like every other political machine, it has been developed by keeping the individual in subjection at every point where the functions of administration touch his private affairs. Naturally the sheet anchor of such influence is a rule the machine works invisibly. That is the only difference between Ontario under Ross, and New York under Croker. Occasionally, however, the machine's workings are visible and the creaking of its wheels is audible. There is a town in Ontario called Orangeville which was declared by the Dominion census of 1901 to have a population of 2,529 people. This entitled the town under the Ontario Licensing Act to five liquor licenses and no more. There happened to be eight licenses in existence, the holders of which, were, of course, good and true supporters of the Ross government. This made a rather awkward situation. Here were eight license holders and only room for five, if the law was to be carried out. The town assessor was instructed to take a census of the town of Orangeville. He did so and reported the population of the town as 3,000. This was an ingenious and successful way of meeting the difficulty. As the licenses must not be reduced, the population had to be increased. Unfortunately the assessor, in order to save appearances, only made allowance for enough people to support seven licenses, and when these were awarded, the eighth was left out in the cold. It occurred to this gentleman that what the town could do, he could do also. He offered to pay the expense of taking another census and his offer was accepted. He took his census and discovered that there were exactly 4,000 people living in the town, just a sufficient number, with 600 over, to entitle him to receive a license. The town clerk promptly issued a certificate to the license board, stating that 4,006 was the correct population of the growing town of Orangeville. So far everything had gone very well. Unfortunately, however, for the public-spirited gentleman who had paid the expense of the final census, the sense of humour which resides deep down even among the people of Ontario communities, had been touched. By the way, the people of Orangeville must be a sombre lot, to have been able to take a performance of this kind seriously. If anything of the kind ever occurred in a Western city the people would laugh themselves into fits, and their council and license commissioners and town clerk and everybody else out of office. Even in Orangeville, however, there was one license commissioner possessed of a working sense of humour. He refused to vote for the eighth license. "What," said the injured and irate publican, "have I sold the party machine, and paid for a special census to prove the legality of issuing a license to me, to be balked by a stiff-necked commissioner! Go! I will invoke the powers." He did invoke the powers, otherwise the Hon. J. R. Stratton, that sweet martyr in the cause of political purity in Ontario, and the Hon. J. R. Stratton chopped off the head of the recalcitrant commissioner. After that, of course, there was no trouble. The Montreal Gazette, commenting upon this extraordinary occurrence, says: "There is more hypocrisy to the square mile in Ontario than in all the other provinces of the Dominion combined, and for this considerable state of affairs the license government is very largely responsible. This is altogether too severe. This Orangeville episode is one of the most deliciously comic incidents that ever happened in real life. We certainly have never heard of anything quite so funny. Hypocrisy! Yes! But is the hypocrisy of the stage. Such men surely are not real Pecksniffs. When they cut such antics they must, surely they must, wink, if not one eye at least the other.

## AS OTHERS SEE US.

The Montreal Witness, which is an independent Liberal paper, discusses the political situation in British Columbia. "In the election campaign," it says, "now going on in British Columbia, party lines have been drawn for the first time in provincial politics. Liberals and Conservatives are face to face, but it is somewhat curious that the published platforms of the opposing parties are so nearly alike that there would not seem to be much of a choice between them. One thing stands out clearly—both are making strong bids for the support of the labor organizations. It is hoped, however, that the introduction of party lines will help to get rid of the personal bitterness and abuse of which British Columbia politics have hitherto been largely made up. Should this be obtained, it will be a good thing for the province. Nothing in public life is more demoralizing than the degeneration of politics into personalities. The most striking peculiarity of the contest is not that party lines have been drawn, but in the policies advocated. The Conservative platform, for instance, has nothing conservative in it that an outsider can discover, except the name. To show how a name may mean one set of opinions in our country and quite the contrary in another, the platform of the Conservatives of British Columbia is more radical than that of the Social Democrats of Germany. It may be briefly described as advocating government ownership of roads, mines, and pulp lands. Fostering of local industries, exclusion of Asiatic laborers, an increased subsidy from the Dominion and a court, or other machinery, for adjusting disputes between employers and workmen, are also advanced as parts of the Conservative policy. The Liberals make almost identical bids for popular approval, so that there is not much in names, both platforms being clearly constructed with a view to winning the labor vote. Whatever other results the elections may have, they will range the government of the province either on the Liberal or Conservative side in Dominion politics, and that is probably the main issue in the campaign." It is a fact that the platforms of the Liberal

Conservative party, the Liberal party, and the Progressive party (now defunct) are as like as three peas in a pod. But it is also a fact that there is a very clear line of distinction between the policies of the two parties. The Liberal party recognizes capitalists as capitalists, and trade unionists as trade unionists, and endeavors to make deals and bargains with both. The Conservative party recognizes nobody except as a citizen of Canada. In the past, the Conservative party has done more for working men than the Liberal party has. It will do so again. It adopts a policy as suitable in the interests of the whole country. No country can flourish whose workers do not prosper. That the Conservative party recognizes and acts upon. While it does not go to individual trade unions, as the Liberal party does, and say: "Support the Liberal party and the Liberal party will give you such and such legislation," any more than it goes to lawyers and doctors to trade special legislation for support, it is not afraid to go before any class or organization in Canada with its general body of principles for the government of the country. The Conservative party may not please everybody, but it humbly trusts nobody. The Witness is wrong in saying that the main issue of the campaign is to determine how the province shall go in Dominion politics. There is a section of the Liberal party with which this is an issue, but it is not an issue which could be openly avowed by anybody in British Columbia. No politician in British Columbia could make this an issue. The fact that it has been given prominence by a leading spirit of the Liberal party has already gone a long way towards insuring that party's defeat. We are in British Columbia, and rightly so, extremely jealous of any subordination of local politics to any extra-provincial issues.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

THE C. P. R. HOTEL.  
Sir.—It is rumored in the city that real estate has increased 25 per cent in value in certain sections, and to per cent almost in other sections. The C. P. R. Hotel. There can be no more convincing argument than this, if the rumor is correct, that the property owners will benefit in a direct way by the passage of the bill. Once or twice Victoria has had a chance to improve her condition, but somehow, invariably taken the wrong course. It is hoped that no such mistake will be made now.

AN OPEN MIND.  
Sir.—I have an open mind on the C. P. R. Hotel project, and should like to see of your readers to furnish me with answers to the following questions: What accounts for the delay in the building of the hotel? What are the reasons for the delay? What are the reasons for the delay? What are the reasons for the delay?

"LIBERAL HARMONY."  
Sir.—In your Tuesday's issue you have an editorial with the above heading. The first sentence runs: "We hear of good harmony between Mr. J. N. Evans, who has been chosen Liberal candidate for Cowichan, and Mr. J. N. Evans, who has been chosen Liberal candidate for Cowichan." This statement is not correct. Mr. J. N. Evans is not a Liberal candidate. He is a Conservative candidate. He is a Conservative candidate. He is a Conservative candidate.

JAS. NORCROSS.  
Somerset, B. C., Aug. 20th, 1903.  
FIVE SCHOOL BOOKS.  
Sir.—I noticed an article in last week's Colonist, headed "Parents' Resent Extra Charge of School Books." The article stated that a parent had been charged for five school books, and that the parent had refused to pay. The article stated that the parent had refused to pay. The article stated that the parent had refused to pay.

SLAUGHTER OF GAME.  
Sir.—Once again, as the 1st of September draws near, we hear the usual complaint of the slaughter of game about the opening of the season. The complaint is that the game is being slaughtered. The complaint is that the game is being slaughtered. The complaint is that the game is being slaughtered.

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PRESS COMMENT.  
A parliamentary paper issued on Monday, contains an address to the King on the 18th anniversary of the Dominion House of Commons, and the reply thereto. The address, which is dated March 31, after expressing loyalty and devotion to the monarchy, congratulates the people of the Mother Country on the legislation, just and equitable, which it is believed will follow the recent conference on the Indian question, and hopes for an early and lasting settlement, fair to all, of that long vexed and troublesome problem, the solution of which has for so long taxed the powers of British statesmen. Mr. Chamberlain, in his reply, dated May 27, conveys the King's appreciation of the renewed expression of unwavering loyalty and devotion to his person and government, and continues: In regard to the prayer of the address, His Majesty has nothing to add to the reply returned by her late Majesty's command to a similar address from the Senate and House of Commons of Canada in the Earl of Kimberley's despatch of June 12, 1882—Public Opinion.

Not content with a general denunciation of lynching, and knowing that it takes the political life in his hands whenever he advocates the cause of the negro, President Roosevelt once again states his attitude in this matter with absolute clearness. Where we permit the law to be defied or evaded, whether by the rich man or the poor man, the black man or the white man, and are by just so much weakening the bonds of our civilization and increasing the chances of its overthrow and of the substitution for it of a system in which there shall be violent alterations of anarchy and tyranny. By saying this he strikes one of those blows for freedom which are among Roosevelt's longest and most potent. We ought to find a ready echo all over the United States—Westminster Gazette.

People who will have nothing to do with reporters are often the first to buy the paper, to see what the world's creatures have said about them. The King and Queen have said about them. The King and Queen have said about them. The King and Queen have said about them.

RISIBILITIES.  
An English sportsman, after catching a salmon in a Scottish lake, took a pull at his whisky flask, and repeated the process a second time. On this the landlady, who was at the shore, and quickly discerned his master having sharply informed him that he still required his services, the Highlander gravely replied: "Them that drink by themselves can fish by themselves!"

A simple country girl was a witness in a court case, and indicated that her lover knew something of the affair. On being asked where he was, she declared he was outside. "Then we had better call him in," said the judge, "and let him hear the evidence." "Oh, goodness, no!" exclaimed the girl. "I can hardly get him to court when we're alone, and I'm sure he won't court me here before you all."

On a recent Sunday evening a West Hartlepool man was entertaining a few old friends with a bottle of port. When he returned he asked her as he went, what the minister's subject had been. "Oh," she replied, "Mr. Jones has been telling us about Solomon and Gomerah." "Aye?" queried one of the visitors with a commendable effort to appear sociable, but showing a sad lack of Biblical knowledge. "I can hardly get him to court when we're alone, and I'm sure he won't court me here before you all."

The following was overheard at a cricket match at Lord's the other day. The retiring batsman, who is well known for his stylish play, had on this occasion been clean bowled for a "duck." "What," exclaimed a member in the pavilion, "don't first ball, and such easy bowling! Why, I should have smashed it all over the field!" "You're a new player to smack anyone's bowling," said the retiring batsman contemptuously. "All your strokes are good," the member remarked, "but with a smile, it's better to get run with your eyes shut than none with your eyes open!"

A poacher, whose tackle had been found near the scene of his capture, pleaded that the things were not his, and his lawyer, adopting the plea, won the case. "I suppose I go for good?" asked the poacher, turning to the magistrate as he was about to leave the dock. "Yes," was the answer. "And I'll be brought up again for this 'ere offence'." "No," said the magistrate. "You're sorry?" the man exclaimed, in some excitement, and he was assured that there was no more to be said. "Then," said he, "I thank you, your worship, to kind give me back my line and my ferris."

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